Cory Spencer, etc., et al. v. Lunada Bay Boys, etc., et al.

Case No. 2:16-cv-02129-SJO-RAO

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     FRANK FERRARA, CHARLIE
     FERRARA and N.F.; CITY OF
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     PALOS VERDES ESTATES;
     CHIEF OF POLICE JEFF KEPLEY,
     in his representative
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     capacity; and DOES 1-10,
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                     Defendants.
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                  DEPOSITION OF CORY ELDON SPENCER
                      Los Angeles, California
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                     Tuesday, October 11, 2016
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     Reported by:
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     Carmen R. Sanchez
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      on behalf of defendants, at 777 South Figueroa Street,
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      10:01 a.m. and ending at 6:35 p.m., on Tuesday,
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      October 11, 2016, before Carmen R. Sanchez,
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1	A I I don't recall.
2	Q Were there people surfing there?
3	A It's when I was 15. I don't remember.
4	I'm sorry.
5	Q No, that's fine.
6	Did the conversation sorry to go
7	back and forth, but the conversation between Sang Lee
8	and Chris Taloa, did you do you believe that
9	Sang Lee raised his voice at any point in time?
10	A It it wasn't raising a voice and it
11	wasn't it wasn't an argument. It wasn't a conflict,
12	no.
13	MS. LUTZ: Okay. No further questions at this
14	time. Thank you.
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16	EXAMINATION
17	BY MR. HAVEN:
18	Q Hello, Mr. Spencer. Peter Haven. I'll
19	try to make this as brief as possible.
20	You indicated earlier that you had
21	looked at some videos, and I assume that these
22	MR. FRANKLIN: Would you mind? He doesn't know
23	who everybody represents.
24	MR. HAVEN: Oh, I apologize. Michael Papayans.
25	MR. FRANKLIN: I didn't mean to interrupt you.
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1 That's all right. I got carried MR. HAVEN: 2 away. Do you need me to come down there? I'll come 3 down there. I apologize. I represent Michael Papayans. 4 5 You indicated earlier that you had looked at some videos. Could you describe for me the 6 7 videos that you looked at? And I assume that these are 8 videos depicting alleged Bay Boy incidents? 9 So, videos I can remember, there's several. There's videos with Mr. Lee's voice. It was 10 11 an undercover video shot by -- I don't know who. There's videos of -- I believe it was back in the '80s 12 13 of a young kid being -- I don't think he was -- I don't 14 think he was -- basically, being told that he's not allowed to surf there, and I think his uncle or 15 16 somebody was in there. I don't remember. 17 And that was a video -- I'm sorry. was a video back in the '80s? 18 I think so. 19 Α 20 Okay. Thank you. 0 21 There's a video == and I'm not sure when 22 this was taken, but there's a video of a male hitting 23 several times another male, you know, in the head. What other videos? Other videos of guys walking on the 24 25 beach and, basically, getting asked the same questions Page 322

1	on, you know, why why they're here undercover
2	videos, but I don't know the sources or anything. I
3	did see them.
4	Q As you sit here right now, any other
5	videos that you recall seeing?
6	A Not at this time.
7	Q Do you know who Michael Papayans is?
8	A I know that's a name that's popped up a
9	lot in Lunada Bay. I know he's allegedly a Bay Boy,
10	and I've heard it but
11	Q I'm sorry. Go ahead. Are you finished?
12	A I'm finished.
13	Q Thank you.
14	To your knowledge, have you ever seen
15	Michael Papayans?
16	A Not that I can recall.
17	Q To your knowledge, have you ever seen
18	one of the other defendants named in this case,
19	Alan Johnston?
20	A I don't know if I've seen him or not.
21	Q These incidents that you've described at
22	Lunada Bay, it appears that you were able to identify
23	by name two individuals, and you've talked about them
24	today, Mr. Blakeman and Mr. Lee.
25	Now, just so I understand correctly,
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1	that was with Mr. Taloa's assistance?
2	A You mean in identifying them?
3	Q Yeah, putting names to faces.
4	A Correct.
5	Q Okay.
6	Has anybody ever pointed out to you by
7	name any other people you've seen in a video or any
8	other people that you recall interacting with at
9	Lunada Bay?
10	A Anybody outside of Chris Taloa?
11	Q Yeah. I don't want to invade
12	attorney-client privilege. If your attorneys have
13	identified somebody, then, I'll just leave it at that;
14	but outside of attorney-client communications, has
15	anybody pointed out someone and said, "That's
16	so-and-so"?
17	A Not that I can recall.
18	Q To your knowledge, do you know if
19	Michael Papayans had any involvement in these
20	Lunada Bay incidents that you've described here today
21	that you were personally involved with?
22	A I don't know if he was there when I was
23	there. I couldn't answer that.
24	Q Okay. And the same question as to
25	Alan Johnston.
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1	A Same answer.
2	Q Can you describe the individual who ran
3	over you with the surfboard?
4	A Yes.
5	Q Could you give us a description of him,
6	please?
7	A Male, white; approximately, six foot;
8	185 to 200; dark hair; wetsuit.
9	Q Any estimate as to his age?
10	A I think mid-40s to mid-50s, somewhere in
11	there.
12	MR. HAVEN: Okay. I don't think I have any
13	other questions. Let me pause here and think for a
14	moment. I don't think I do.
15	MS. HEWITT: That was quick.
16	MR. HAVEN: Thank you very much.
17	MR. FRANKLIN: Anybody else have questions?
18	MR. WORGUL: I have two follow-ups.
19	THE WITNESS: Can we just get some water?
20	MS. HEWITT: Yes.
21	THE WITNESS: Take a break? Give me five
22	minutes
23	MR. WORGUL: Of course.
24	(A recess was taken at 6:09 p.m.
25	until 6:13 p.m.)
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6	I do solemnly declare under penalty of
7	perjury, under the laws of the State of California,
8	that the foregoing is my deposition under oath; that
9	these are the questions asked of me and my
10	answers thereto; that I have read same and have made
11	the necessary corrections, additions, or changes to
12	my answers that I deem necessary.
13	In witness thereof, I hereby subscribe my
14	name this day of, 20
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1	Certification of Court Reporter
2	Federal Jurat
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4	I, the undersigned, a Certified Shorthand
5	Reporter of the State of California do hereby certify:
6	That the foregoing proceedings were taken
7	before me at the time and place herein set forth;
8	that any witnesses in the foregoing proceedings, prior
9	to testifying, were placed under oath; that a verbatim
10	record of the proceedings was made by me using machine
11	shorthand which was thereafter transcribed under my
12	direction; further, that the foregoing is an accurate
13	transcription thereof.
14	That before completion of the deposition, a
15	review of the transcript [X] was [] was not requested.
16	I further certify that I am neither
17	financially interested in the action nor a relative or
18	employee of any attorney of any of the parties.
19	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have this date
20	subscribed my name.
21	Dated: October 21, 2016
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